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QU'APPELLE STATION, N.W.T., THURSDAY, MAY 12, 1898.

No. 30

OUR SPRING STOCK

WALL PAPER

HAS ARRIVED

HENDERSON & PARKER

Decorative and Stationery.

QU'APPELLE STATION, N.W.T.

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Smoking Tobacco?

WOLSELEY FLOUR

Boots and Shoes

WOLSELEY

GEO. AMBLER.

I've Got them.

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Hudson's Bay Co.,

FORT QU'APPELLE.

JUST RECEIVED

LADIES' SUMMER BLOUSES, white and colored, in all the newest designs.

BLOUSE GOODS in Silks, Piques, Lustrous, Muslins, Etc.

SPECIAL LINE

COLORFUL BROCHE SILKS for Blouses, at 35¢ per yard.

These are all New Imported Goods and Excellent Value.

SUPPORT HOME INDUSTRY

Qu'Appelle Valley Flour Mills,

Fort Qu'Appelle. (Established 1834.)

GRISTING—Wheat, Flour, Chop, Chopped, Feed.

FLOUR—Household Patent, Strong Bakers, Graham.

Qu'Appelle Valley Flour Mills, Proprietors.

Qu'Appelle Valley Hotel

Only one first class hotel in the district.

A full line of the finest brands of Wines, Liquors, Ales, etc., is kept at the hotel.

For the purpose of making the hotel a first class establishment.

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Local and General

Mr. Thos. Egan, of Gladstone, is in town on a visit.

Mr. E. Leeper, of Indian Head, on Wednesday last.

Mr. E. Schneider, of Poplar Plains, was a visitor on Friday.

Mr. R. Craig, of Edgeley, was in town on Tuesday.

Mr. F. Evans, of Edgeley, paid the town a visit on Wednesday.

Rooms to rent—unfurnished—Apply to A. McKenzie, Qu'Appelle.

Mr. A. Gray returned from Winnipeg on Wednesday morning.

New maple sugar and syrup in quality at C. T. Bailey & Co.

Mr. W. Clavett, of Brandon, was in town on Wednesday.

Mr. J. McNaughton went up to Touchwood last week, returning on Friday.

Dr. and Mrs. Hall, of Fort Qu'Appelle, were visitors in town last week.

Mr. J. B. McIntyre, of the Winnipeg Tribune, called on us today.

See the Melrose high-lift, cross, and stubble plows, at Creamer & Gray's.

Mr. S. T. Scott and family left for North Dakota on Monday evening last.

Mr. Jos. Balfour returned to town last week, after an absence of two months.

J. K. Williams and R. Matchett, of Regina, were in town on Friday last.

S. C. Elkington and H. B. Joyner, of Fort Qu'Appelle, were in town on Monday last.

To-morrow is Arbor Day. Get a sap and plant a tree. It may live long after you are gone.

Mr. W. C. Cameron, of Edgeley, received a thoroughbred bull from J. E. Smith, of Brandon, this week.

Mr. Alex. Stewart, of Indian Head, will take a position with D. Brown, butcher, commencing on Friday.

Mr. Angus McKay, superintendent of experimental farm, and Miss McKay, Indian Head, were in town last Friday.

Creamer & Gray have just unloaded a car of barges, carrying, etc., a set of Cross-hatch plows, horse rakes, pumps, etc.

Creamer & Gray have now in the way a car of the celebrated American Disc and Lever harrows, wagons, etc. A set of McKay muck rakes.

The address of the Rialto Theatre, proprietors, in the last issue of the paper: "We propose to use the Chronicle with this for a time to put in our card."

Messrs. Henderson & Parker are now located in their new drug store, where they will be pleased to meet the requirements of the public in drugs, stationery, fancy goods, etc., at heretofore.

The dining hall at Moose Jaw was completely destroyed by fire on Friday last. It is believed to have been caused by a stove from an engine. Loss, \$8,000 partly covered by insurance.

We have had the pleasure of a visit to this city of Mr. W. J. Gould, the photographer, and we must say that the views seen on exhibition are very good of anything we have seen in this part of the country. Gladly, as he would stay long.

Creamer & Gray wish to contradict the report which is being circulated to the effect that on account of the war with Spain no McGowan lenses will be sold in Qu'Appelle this season. They wish to say they have now on the way a car of McGowan lenses and will guarantee to fill all orders for lenses.

Mr. John Howitt, a respected resident of Edgeley, died very suddenly on Monday last from the effects of heart poisoning. His many friends were greatly shocked to hear of his sudden demise, as it was only a few days ago that he was seen on the street of Qu'Appelle.

apparently enjoying the best of health. The relations and friends of the deceased gentleman have the sympathy of the entire community.

The new black-in thing firm of Bowman & Cowan, wish to say that they make a specialty of states. All farmers should give them a call. They guarantee satisfaction.

Mr. W. J. Gould has arrived in town with his photographic outfit, and his tent can be found next to the Mackay-Harris building. All parties wishing to get first-class photographs should call early, as Mr. Gould only remains in town until Monday evening. Samples of work may be seen at Mr. Beauchamp's store.

Attention is called to the fact of Mr. W. A. Henrich, who is receiving a car of thoroughbred Southern hounds in a few days from Ontario. This is the fourth shipment of this class of stock Mr. Henrich has received. Anyone desirous of securing a good hound will do well to see this consignment on arrival.

Mr. H. Sykes spent a day or two inspecting his property at Edgeley. He was accompanied by Mrs. Sykes. They left on the east-bound train on Sunday evening for St. Paul en route to England. Mr. Sykes expects to be home about the 25th.

A gentleman from the Portage-Plains, one of the largest farmers in that favored district, was offered \$144 a bushel for his wheat. He has only three years' crops of wheat in store on his farm and in the town elevators, but declined the offer made to him. He has confidence that \$150 will yet be paid for No. 1, hard, in Manitoba.

The British correspondent of the Free Press writes: Hon. C. J. Meek, our local member, has been named as the G. N. W. C. candidate and that at least twenty miles of the road will be built this summer. This is very good news to this community, and as a result the remaining vacant land has been rapidly bought up by actual settlers.

The Local Fair, which held annual last night, was on Tuesday night. The following are the officers: 1903. President, Rev. J. P. Sargant, Vice President, Mrs. B. Harvey, Secretary, Mr. V. W. Butler. The subscription is \$144 and \$150 contributions to pay the expenses before using credits.

Mrs. Pritchard from England arrived here on the 7th, and as a guest, of Mrs. J. H. Boyer, of Bellevue, Regina.

The Rev. J. Shelly arrived from Regina on the 7th for the district. He will be at present a guest of Mr. J. H. Boyer, of Bellevue, Regina, and is visiting old friends here.

Excitable Horses. The horse and only thing in the world that is excitable is a horse. It is excitable in its nature. This is based on going to the horse's head and looking at him gently, rubbing his face and otherwise directing his attention from the subject of his flight. If the horse is suddenly angry the same treatment will be found beneficial. In a big state of excitement the horse does not compute what he wants, and it is useless waste that he is to attempt to do the right out of a horse.

All men are excitable, more or less, and in a short time they are excited. Why would the horse be any different?

A PURE CREAM OF THE LATEST FORM.

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

Highest Honors, World's Fair Gold Medal, Midwinter Fair

of trying to abuse one of these headstrong, excitable men into being calm and considerate when under the influence of passion? It would certainly end in disaster to somebody, and this may explain the consistency in some horses seeking the front end out of the wagon, and otherwise demonstrating things when the whip was laid on his back because he scared or excited about something.

The best thing the driver can do is to keep cool and use common sense in handling the team. When a horse manifests that he is not to be hurt, he will not be excited or unreasonable, unless of a devilish disposition. Such cases require special treatment, and the judgment of the driver will determine the success of his work in handling the horse. Always take time to quiet an excited horse.

When you get an animal to understand your commands, there is not much difficulty in directing, as a nurse. Avoid, if possible, bringing the excitable horse in contact with that which unnerves him. —Australian Farm and Home.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Spencerville Splashes.

Seeding is almost finished in this district, and the average is much larger than in former years.

Mr. J. F. Cates lost a valuable mule by being thrown on a barrow. The Klondike fever has almost subsided, after depriving us of some of our most estimable bachelors, who, when returning, we hope they will not be like the prodigal son who wrote, "Dear father, meet me in the suburbs of Spencerville with a suit of clothes, I have a hat."

Mr. J. C. Starr has purchased the No. 1, Sec 21 17-15, and intends farming much more extensively than in the past.

Mr. Joseph Ste Marie, from Fort St. John, has been staying at Mt. Prospect for a few days, renewing old acquaintances.

Prize flowers and marriageable maidens are in great profusion here at present.

Miss Eva Cates has been spending a few days at Mt. Prospect, the guest of Miss McMichael.

Mr. A. G. McLeod of Calgary, has been through here buying cattle for ranching purposes.

Miss Hoady, who has been visiting in Regina for the past few weeks, has returned home.

Miss Lizzie McMichael, who has been living at Morden, Man., for the past year, is expected home next week.

Mr. H. Hardy has the material almost ready for a new house, to be commenced immediately. We also wish to announce that he has been on a bird.



Some people in the world persist in clinging to old methods. There are men who still use a forked stick in place of a modern plow. There are also men who when they are troubled with a disordered stomach or liver resort to the old-fashioned violent remedies that rack and rend the whole body, while they give temporary relief in the fact that they can do the entire system a great amount of harm.

Modern science has discovered a remedy, a powerful aperient, to these old-fashioned drugs, that do their work by promoting the natural processes of excretion and secretion, and gently correcting all constitutional derangements. When a man feels general rickety, when he looks sleep at night, when he has a headache and with a bad taste in his mouth in the morning, when he feels dull and listless all day, when his appetite is poor and his food disagrees with him, when work comes hard and nervousness is an impossibility, that man, though he may not believe it, is a nervous man. He is on the road to consumption, nervous prostration, malaria, or some serious blood disease. In cases of this description a man should resort at once to the powerful medicine, Dr. Pierce's Pellets. It is the best medicine for a weak stomach, indigestion, a disordered liver. It is the great blood-maker and purifier, flesh-builder and nerve tonic. It cures 90 per cent of all cases of constipation, indigestion, liver troubles, and kindred ailments. Thousands have testified to its marvelous merits. It is a modern, scientific medicine that aids without robbing nature and that has stood the test for thirty years. Medicine dealers sell it.

Dr. Pierce's Pellets cure constipation.

Post Office Inspector's Office, Winnipeg, 2830.

If you want to BUY or SELL advertise in The Progress.

J. H. Brethauer & Co., The Leading Tailors.

QU'APPELLE PROGRESS.

Thursday, May 12, 1909.

JUSTICE IN MEXICO.

STRANGE DECISIONS GIVEN BY SOME OF THE MAGISTRATES.

A Murderer Fined \$3 and the Costs - A Marriage Contract With a Time Limit. Kindness to a Poor Boy - A Queer Breach of Promise Suit.

Among the most varied and wonderful things to be found in the southwest are the decisions sometimes made by Mexican justices of the peace. Most of the justices in this territory are Mexicans. A few of them are men of such intelligence and education to know something about the first principles of law, but most of them are very meagerly equipped.

One such administrator of the law holding office in northern New Mexico decided that it was his duty to try a man who had been charged with murder. Accordingly he imprisoned a party of six persons and tried the case. The jury found the man guilty, and the justice at once ordered the prisoner to stand up for execution. He delivered a long lecture to the murderer upon the benevolence of his race and warned him never to appear in court again upon such a charge. Then he impressively pronounced sentence - \$3 and costs - and dismissed the case. He then bellowed with pride and satisfaction over his oratorical effort.

Before another Mexican justice of the peace who dispensed his ideas of law in northern New Mexico there came a Mexican man and woman to be tried in wedlock. The justice looked them over critically and apparently had a little doubt about the competency of their lawyers to be put a time limit upon the case. He then, as he pronounced the words that made them man and wife he added with emphasis: "for the space of ten years only." As they went away he told them that they were not to be married again before that time to come back and he would divorce them for the same law.

Still another, who was in his time in Texas, tried a case for some petty offense found him guilty and fined him \$3 and costs. But this was not enough for the prisoner at the bar, who declared that he would not pay the fine, but he did not so much mind in the world. The justice looked him over with fine lines of his countenance and turned to the marshal with the command: "Take him out on the back and shoot him."

The venerable president of the law, who for a long time has lived in the center of justice in the town of Las Cruces, is famous through all this region for his remarkable decisions. He has a list of cases that can be found in his office, and he has a list of cases that can be found in his office. He has a list of cases that can be found in his office, and he has a list of cases that can be found in his office. He has a list of cases that can be found in his office, and he has a list of cases that can be found in his office.

"But," he added, "the boy is a poor boy, and it would be a shame if he did not get something out of this case. He is entitled to something, and I hereby award him the defendant's back money that is in front of the court."

The same justice had to decide a unique breach of promise suit. Among the Mexicans it is the universal custom for the bridegroom to defray all the expenses of the wedding. He must furnish the bride's trousseau and all the trappings of the wedding, and he must pay for the wedding feast and all the other things that the bride's parents want. He may be so poor that he will have to give his wife's parents afterward, but he must think of money until he has money enough to pay for the whole thing. From the first article on his bride's trousseau to the present in their wedding garments, which they must have before the wedding, he must have a list of things that he must have before the wedding. He must have a list of things that he must have before the wedding.

At the time of the wedding of Las Cruces, where the bride was as well as her husband, but the bride's parents were a pretty poor couple, and together they were not able to pay for the wedding. From the first article on his bride's trousseau to the present in their wedding garments, which they must have before the wedding, he must have a list of things that he must have before the wedding. He must have a list of things that he must have before the wedding.

With all these Mexican justices cannot speak English. But that is not much of a disadvantage in this region, for the terms of law commands all court proceedings to be conducted in both English and Spanish. They now Mexican can use the official interpreter, and every word of his is translated into English and the other language - for, Philadelphia judge.

Writing to Help Him. "No," declared the old man who has not any children. "I can't tolerate the battle and then that always seems to be going on in some families. Now upon my honor."

"Well," said the father of four boys, "I know the names of one of our largest countries. It is called like a job as a man. I'll be glad to put my head and hand for you." - Chicago News.

Japanese homes in the paper cities are of one general shape, two stories high, and put together with a curious method of mortise and tenon, so that the people are adapted, not only being used throughout the entire life of the building.

ASTHMA'S PROGRESS.

From Cold to Cure.

No relief in other remedies.

There are many medicines that palliate asthma. There are few that do more than relieve for a time the oppressed breathing of the sufferer. There are few diseases more troublesome and more irritating than asthma. It interferes with business and with pleasure. It prevents enjoyment of the day and makes the night a terror. A remedy for asthma would be hailed by thousands as the greatest boon of the century. There is a remedy for asthma. Dr. J. C. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is a remedy for asthma. Dr. J. C. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral has cured hundreds of cases of this disease, and testimonials to its efficacy from those who have tried the remedy are multiplying with every year. The cases presented in the testimonials that follow testify to its efficacy in curing the quick and radical action of this great remedy.

"About a year ago, I caught a bad cold which resulted in asthma so severe that I was threatened with suffocation whenever I attempted to lie down on my back. A friend recommended Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. I began to take it, and soon obtained relief, and finally was completely cured. Since then, I have used this medicine in my family with great success for colds, coughs, and croup." - S. H. HARRIS, Editor "Kolink" (Polish), Stevens Point, Wis.

"While on the Gasconade River, Cal., I

caught a severe cold which resulted in asthma. After taking doctors' prescriptions for a long time without benefit, at length made use of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and was completely cured." - H. G. KITCHEN, Greenwood, Miss.

"Some time since I had a severe attack of asthma, accompanied with a bad cough and a general soreness of the joints and muscles. I consulted physicians, and tried various remedies, but without getting any relief. Finally I took Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and in a very short time was entirely cured." - J. ROSS, Victoria, Tex.

Dr. J. C. Ayer's Cherry Pectoral is known the world over as one of the most effective remedies for the cure of coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough, croup, bronchitis, and all affections of the throat and lungs. It is not, as so many cough medicines are, a mere "soothing syrup," a temporary relief and palliative, but it is a radical remedy, dealing directly with disease and promptly healing it. Anyone who is sick is invited to write to the doctor who is at the head of the staff of our newly organized Free Medical Advice Department. The best medical advice on all diseases, without reference to their curability by Dr. Ayer's remedies. Address, Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.

ELUSIVE PRESENCE.

And added then came, then long lost, longed for one.

That day when, thinking not of this, I tried For safety from my foes on every side.

And then the refuge whether I could find And then the refuge whether I could find.

When thinking not of this - too sorely tried - I looked and saw the western clouds divide.

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INDIANA'S THOUSAND LAKES.

An Extraordinary Group in a Corner of the State and the Big Bass in Them.

"A person might look on the map until he was blind," said W. L. Mott of Richmond, Ind., "without discovering the curious fact that huddled together in the northeastern corner of Indiana are more than 1,000 natural lakes, ranging in size from 10 to 400 acres. They are all within the boundaries of Steuben, De Kalb, Lagrange, Noble and Kosciusko counties, 312 of them being in Noble county. Such is the isolation of this extraordinary group of lakes that the average Indiana citizen, outside the small area in which the system is situated, is unaware of its existence. It is entirely separate from the river system of the state and corresponds in character with that famous group of lakes in Orange and Sullivan counties in New York, and Pike and Wayne counties in Pennsylvania. Literally great openings of crystal water, with bottoms of the whitest sand. The wild charm of mountain environment that is characteristic of their eastern counterparts is lacking, however, in the Indiana lakes, although they occupy the highest situation in the state but one.

"Nowhere else in Indiana is there a lake of any size whatever. These sheets of water are the natural homes of the small mouth black bass, and ex-Fish Commissioner Dennis asserts that the small mouth black bass that inhabit the various waters of this country come originally from that group of Indiana lakes. Nowhere else on the continent, except in a small lake near Glens Falls, N. Y., have these fish been caught equal in size to those taken from these Indiana waters. The largest small mouth black bass on record was caught by A. N. Cheney of Glens Falls in the lake I mentioned. It weighed ten pounds. But that fish was an exception to the ordinary run of bass in that lake, while seven, eight and nine pound bass are not uncommon in the Indiana lakes. Sidney Smith of Home City, Ind., caught a small mouth bass in Sylvan lake that weighed 9 1/2 pounds, and Dr. Moyer of Kendallville killed one that weighed nine pounds in the same lake. Sylvan lake is the largest of these Indiana big springs, its natural size having been enlarged by damming to make it a reservoir in the days of canal navigation. It is five miles long and a mile wide." - New York Sun.

Minard's Liniment Relieves Neuralgia.

When de woli's preaching took out for de lambs.

Minard's Liniment Cures Burns etc.

In the great game of life Gabriel will always play the last trump.

Minard's Liniment Cures Dandruff.

His Men - Is the water you get at your boarding house pure. Egbert - No, there seems to be a lot of milk in it.

Minard's Liniment for sale everywhere.

Jack - Yes, ancestors certainly help to give a social prestige. Tom - Especially when they are wealthy and one lives with them.

"Quickcure" destroys the germs, called coet, that causes boils and carbuncles, reduces the inflammation and removes all pain.

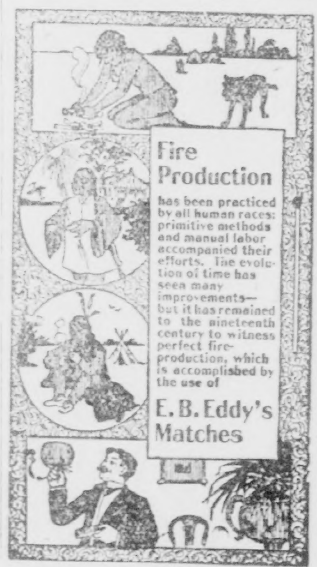
Prove your immortality by long thoughts.

"Quickcure" cures cuts of all kinds, or lacerated wounds - applied early, it prevents blood poisoning.

Even the naked truth should be clothed in polite language.

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Fire Production has been practiced by all human races: primitive methods and manual labor accompanied their efforts. The evolution of time has seen many improvements - but it has remained the nineteenth century to witness perfect fire production, which is accomplished by the use of E. B. Eddy's Matches



Send Your Name and Address ON POSTAL CARD TO D. RICHARDS, Woodstock, Ontario AND I WILL RETURN YOU FREE, AN ILLUSTRATED BOOK. Yours truly, D. RICHARDS

From Two Points of View - Minnie, admiring her new ring - Isn't it a dear little thing? Jack, who bought it - Indeed it is?

GENTLEMEN - While driving down a very steep hill last August my horse stumbled and fell, cutting himself fearfully about the head and body. I used Minard's Liniment freely on him and in a few days he was as well as ever. J. B. A. BRUSH, Sherbrooke.

"I didn't intend to marry him, anyhow." "Then why did you sue him for breach of promise?" "The marble-hearted wretch might have allowed me to break the engagement."

A Klondike equipment is incomplete without Blue Ribbon Tea in water-tight packaged.

WHY NOT BUY THE BEST ?? First Prize at the World's Fair, Chicago, 1893. ALPHA DE LAVAL CREAM SEPARATORS. Awarded FIRST PRIZE at EVERY Competition (but one) in Great Britain. Users say they pay for themselves in Six Months. Every "Alpha-Laval" is guaranteed to perfectly Separate the Quantity Stated, and requires Less Power to Work than any other Separator. BUTTER MAKERS' CONVENTION. The 1898 National Buttermakers' Convention at Topeka, Kan., was an overwhelming "Alpha" De Laval triumph in every feature of separator interest. All Higher Butter Awards went to "Alpha" De Laval users as they have in every previous National Convention and as they must in every representative butter contest. Out of 525 entries, naturally representing the product of the finest butter-makers of the country from Maine to California, EVERY EXHIBIT SCORING 95 OR HIGHER WAS "ALPHA DE LAVAL" MADE, and out of 91 exhibits scoring 95 or higher, 80 were "Alpha De Laval" made, 6 "Sharples," 2 "Alexandra-Jumbo," 1 "U. S.," 1 "Reid," and 1 "Springer." Every buttermaker is interested in knowing what kind of separators the great majority of the fine buttermakers of the different countries are using. There is safety in abiding by the popular choice in anything. It is seldom if ever wrong. Out of 495 separator made butter entries at Topeka, 378 were "Alpha De Laval" 65 "Sharples," 21 "Reid," 10 "Alexandra," 6 "U. S.," 5 "Danish-Weston," 5 "Springer," 2 "Columbian," 1 "American," 1 "Empire-Mikado," and 1 "Barber-Overflow." If you want to save a lot of butter-fat and to make better butter meanwhile, see that you have an "Alpha De Laval" machine at the earliest possible moment and after using it a month, you will wonder how in the world you ever could have gotten along with anything else. Send for brand new 1898 catalogue No. 257. MERRICK, ANDERSON & CO., Wholesale Distributors, Winnipeg. LOCAL AGENTS IN ALMOST EVERY TOWN. P. S. - When writing please mention nearest railway station.

MANILA IS CAPTURED.

SPANISH FLEET AT MOST COMPLETELY DESTROYED.

Admiral Montijo Taken by Surprise—Spaniards Acknowledge an Honorable Defeat—No Official Report Has Been Received by the United States Cable to Hong Kong Yet.

Madrid, May 3.—The following is the text of the official dispatch from the governor-general of the Philippines to the minister of war, Lieut. General Corrales, on the engagement of Manila.

"Last night, the batteries at the entrance of the bay, announced the arrival of the enemy's squadron, forcing passage under the obscurity of the night. At daylight the enemy took up positions along with a strong fire against Fort Cavite and the arsenal."

"Our fleet engaged the enemy in a brilliant combat, protected by the Cavite and Manila forts. They obliged the enemy, with a heavy loss, to manoeuvre repeatedly. At 10 o'clock the United States squadron took refuge behind the foreign merchant shipping on the east side of the bay."

"Our fleet, considering the enemy's superiority, naturally suffered a severe loss. The Maria Christina is on fire, and another ship, believed to be the Don Juan de Austria, was blown up."

"There was considerable loss of life. Caparaso, commanding the Maria Christina, among the killed. I cannot now give further details. The spirit of the navy and volunteers is excellent."

TWO CRUISERS BURNED.

Madrid, May 3.—Late official telegrams say Admiral Montijo has transferred his flag to the cruiser Isla de Cuba from the cruiser Reina Maria Christina, which is completely burned. The Spanish cruiser Castilla was also burned. The other ships retired from the combat, some being sunk to avoid their falling into the enemy's hands. Cabinet ministers speak of "serious, but honorable losses."

London, May 3.—Reliable dispatches received here state that the Spanish fleet was completely defeated off Cavite.

FIRST NEWS OF FIGHT.

Madrid, via Paris, May 3.—The French minister of marine is in receipt of a dispatch to the effect that the United States fleet was obliged to retreat after a terrible engagement. The Spanish loss was heavy and the United States ships were seriously damaged.

Madrid, May 3.—Advices from Manila say the United States squadron, under Commodore Dewey, appeared off the Bay of Manila at 5 o'clock in the morning, and opened a strong cannonade against the Spanish harbor. The Spanish second-class cruiser Don Juan de Austria was severely damaged and her commander was killed. Another Spanish vessel was burned. The United States squadron retired, having also sustained severe damage. A second naval engagement followed, in which the United States squadron again suffered considerable loss, and the Spanish warships Miranda and Ulla were slightly damaged.

Reliable details cannot be had until Commodore Dewey is able to communicate with Hong Kong. There is, however, a suspicious frankness about the Spanish dispatches that savors a desire to break unpleasant news to the Spaniards. It is not unlikely that Commodore Dewey may be unable to renew the attack.

An opinion freely expressed by naval officers is that the very decisive victory of Admiral Dewey's fleet will probably mean an early end to the war without further naval battles of importance. The United States fleet, it is suggested, is now supreme in the waters of Spain's Pacific possession, and indications were strongly towards the slipping of the Philippines from her control. It was said that only by quickly yielding to the United States demands in Cuba could their loss possibly be averted. Spain, it was argued, was confronted with a situation which promised to force more fighting. The superiority of a superior fleet has been demonstrated in the Pacific, and the same, it is contended, would be inevitable in the Atlantic if a clash comes. Navy officers think this view must prevail with the Spanish government, and believe an end of the war, on the basis of Cuban independence, is to follow soon.

London, May 3.—Commodore Dewey, according to a special dispatch from Madrid, gave Captain General Auguste twenty-four hours to comply with an ultimatum, which demanded all warlike stores, and the entire stock of coal in charge of the government officials. The ultimatum asserted that no money levy would be made upon Manila.

The dispatch says it is believed in Madrid that the government has already called Captain General Auguste's authority to comply with the demand, no other course being open. Grave events may follow public knowledge of this compliance.

London, May 3.—A special dispatch from Madrid says that Commodore Dewey gave Captain General Auguste twenty-four hours to comply with an ultimatum demanding all stores and coal. It is believed that the government has called Auguste to comply.

Washington, May 3.—It is a curious fact that the nation most directly interested in all the great powers in the contest that took place at Manila yesterday should be among the last officially to know the result. Up to the close of office hours today absolutely the only information that the government had received of the victory of Commodore Dewey, came to the government through the medium of the press dispatches. If the report is true that Commodore Dewey has begun a bombardment and blockade of the city of Manila, it is likely that he can spare a vessel from his fleet to carry the news to Hong Kong, the nearest cable station, as it is not known when official advices will come. There was some expectation that through the surrender of the city the commodore might acquire control of the cable, but a fear is entertained that before entering from the city the Spanish troops will destroy the delicate and complicated electrical apparatus for the reception and dispatch of messages, and it is uncertain that there is enough technical skill in the fleet without aid from the mainland. The mere cutting of the cable, as reported by the Spaniards, is not regarded as particularly serious since being hemmed in there by the American blockading fleet the Spaniards would not be able to make the cut far off shore.

so that the cable could easily be grappled and repaired.

THE GREATEST ANXIETY

is felt as to the casualties sustained by the American fleet. From the stubborn defence made by the Spanish it is feared that before they burned, blew up, or sunk their ships they managed to inflict severe damage upon Commodore Dewey's squadron. All of the ships engaged were vulnerable in one respect, namely, in their lack of protection of life. There was not an armored ship in Commodore Dewey's fleet, the nearest approach being the flagship Olympia. She had some coal protection around the sides, and an arched steel deck calculated to protect the vitals of the ship. The other vessels of the fleet, save those recently added to the navy, like the McCulloch, have light steel decks of this character, but in all cases, with the exception of some slight protection in the shape of gun shields, the personnel of the ships was exposed to the fire of the enemy. If Commodore Dewey has lost a considerable portion of his men, it is feared he will be much embarrassed in the work of maintaining.

POSSESSION OF MANILA

for lack of sufficient force. United States naval vessels are always undermanned, according to European standards, and it will not be possible to spare any considerable force of men to keep the city, especially if the engagement has disabled many of them. There was some talk this afternoon of sending troops out from San Francisco to aid in this work, but this has not yet taken shape as far as can be learned, and it is likely that the department will wait to hear from Commodore Dewey himself before taking action. It may be, in fact, it is expected, that by combination with the insurgents he will succeed in having his men relieved of the task of garrisoning Manila.

London, May 3.—The Madrid correspondent of the Times, describing the engagement at Manila says: "The Olympia, the Boston, the Raleigh, the Concord, the Petrel and the Moccasin entered the bay under cover of darkness by the smaller and safer Boccheal channel. The forces on Corregidor island gave the alarm by firing on the intruders, but they seem to have inflicted no serious damage. The United States squadron moved up the bay and at three o'clock in the morning appeared before the Cavite. Here, lying under the shelter of the forts, was the Spanish squadron. Admiral Montijo, a few days before, went to Subito bay to look for the enemy, but learning that they were vastly superior in force, had prudently returned and placed his ships under the protection of the forts. This was his only chance of meeting the enemy on something like equal terms, and it did not suffice. Soon the Americans opened fire. The Spaniards replied vigorously and the combat continued vigorously without interruption for four hours, during which the Don Antonio de Ulloa was sunk, the Castilla and Miranda were set on fire, and the Reina Maria Christina and the Don Juan de Austria were seriously damaged. One or two of the smallest craft were scuttled by their crew to escape capture. Others took refuge in a small neighboring creek, emptying into Baker Bay, where presumably the American ships were unable to follow them. But none surrendered."

On board the Herald's dispatch boat Somers N. Smith via Key West, Fla., May 4.—New York Herald special—Deep draught and shallow water on one side and a disposition for flight on the other prevented the torpedo boat Porter from destroying three gunboats of the enemy. Scouting along the coast on a roving commission, the Porter carried her investigations to La Boca, a small port near Sagua La Grande in Santa Clara province, and on the northeast of Cuba. The bay is dotted with small islands, and as the Porter came in there yesterday afternoon her commander, Lieut. John C. Fremont, discovered two small gunboats and an armed steam launch patrolling in the bay. The Porter made a dash at her foes the moment they were discovered. The Spanish boats promptly fled and Lieut. Fremont, greatly to his disgust, found that the water was too shallow for him to follow at the speed of the fugitives. The Porter can go thirty knots an hour, but her commander as soon as he had rung "full speed," felt bump, bump, bump as the vessel's stern settled in the water from the increase in the impetus to her powerful engines. Not wishing to jeopardize his vessel for so small game, the engines were slowed and the crews of the rapid fire guns were sent to quarters and shot after shot sent after the flying Spaniards. The distance was too great and it is not known whether any of the gunboats were hit or not. They were too busily engaged in getting away to return the fire.

New York, May 4.—An Evening World dispatch from Key West today says: A big movement of the blockade fleet is imminent. No one will be surprised to see Admiral Sampson's ships take definite action today either by a concerted bombardment of Havana or by a quick descent on Porto Rico. A most important conference has been held by Admiral Sampson and the leading captains in command. There is a feeling that the bombardment of Havana may open the ball in Cuban waters, and that this was decided upon at the conference. All the officers are wild with delight at the thought of breaking the monopoly of the blockade.

New York, May 5.—A Wall Street news agency sends out the following: "Hong Kong—Manila has fallen. Stars and Stripes wave over the Philippines."

SPANIARDS WERE SURPRISED.

London, May 5.—It appears that Admiral Montijo was taken altogether by surprise, and that the Spanish authorities generally were in a state of utter unreadiness. The forts were not completed, the harbors were not mined, there were no searchlights, and the United States squadron was only sighted after it had already passed the outer and principal forts. On every side in England is heard the praise of the skill and daring displayed by Commodore Dewey in a situation where, if anything had miscarried, he would have been caught in a most desperate position. At the same time credit is given Admiral Montijo, who had a wretched fleet and stood no chance except from the assist-

ance that he might receive from the forts. The United States vessels, however, by moving to and fro were easily able to avoid the badly directed fire from the forts and looking to all circumstances, it is apparent that the United States fleet received but slight damage. MORAL INFLUENCE OF VICTORY. The moral influence of this first victory is incalculable, and though it is practically certain that Spain will not yield till she has tried conclusions on the Atlantic, and also where she hopes for better luck with a really first class fighting squadron. It is believed that a similar victory on Cuban water would produce signs of a revolution in Spain, which would compel her to an endeavor to come to terms.

THE ELEVATOR QUESTION.

Rev. J. M. Douglas' Bill Will Provide Every Facility to Farmers.

Dr. Douglas' bill to regulate the transit of grain in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories was taken up in the House of Commons in Ottawa the other day. The measure is one of considerable interest to the farmers and smaller traders in the west. Mr. Douglas explained that for fourteen years the farmers had the power of shipping direct to the cars. The adoption by the C. P. R. of a standard elevator containing 20,000 bushels practically shut out the smaller dealers from engaging in the grain business and many have been forced to give up their occupation. Parties making a small shipment have found it impossible to secure cars. The promoter of the bill brought petitions, resolutions and sworn testimony contending for the commercial freedom of the western farmer. On an export of 500,000 bushels from Manitoba and the Territories he calculated that the old system will cost the farmer \$1,500,000. In the grain trade of the west being yet in its infancy it is a matter of injustice that at the very outset it should be subjected to such hampering conditions. In his own constituency he calculated that the loss to farmer was \$90,000. After a conference with C. P. R. officials he was prepared to insert an amendment in the bill limiting the time that shippers may detain cars for direct shipment to two hours, which would suffice for the loading of a car, and if the car is kept say for twelve hours the shipper could well afford to pay 50 cents an hour and even would get his grain lifted on the car for one half what it cost through the elevator.

Judge Clarke, who followed in behalf of the C. P. R., asserted that the interest of that country and of the country are identical. He admitted that a wrong exists and that it must be cured. The only question is as to the remedy. In this matter the C. P. R. and Mr. Douglas are aiming at the same object. The present elevator system is an admirable one and must be kept up if the farmers are to get fair prices for their grain. But what the C. P. R. contends is this, that they should not be held accountable for the mistakes of the elevator people. Under the railway act the west has full protection from an injustice. The present measure he thought went much further than was at all necessary. If there was any question of the elevator people not giving the farmer a fair compensation for their wheat the government could very easily appoint inspectors who would see to the measure and see that things were fairly done.

Mr. Richardson spoke at some length in support of the bill.

The representative of the elevator interest was then called upon for a statement of the case from his standpoint.

This was Mr. Turfitt, of Assiniboia, who made an exceedingly clear argument calculated to show that no injustice had been done by the elevator interest.

Ottawa, May 5.—The settlement of the elevator question effected by Rev. Mr. Douglas' bill in the railway committee of the house today provides that grain may be loaded from flat warehouses and cars, two hours being allowed for loading, and fifty cents an hour demurrage on all time over that. Under this satisfactory arrangement a farmer can haul his grain to a flat warehouse by wagon, and when ready, ask for a car, which can be easily loaded in two hours, as the flat warehouse will be equipped with a simple and inexpensive hoisting apparatus. The farmers will, under this arrangement, be independent of the elevators. Some members of the committee were willing to accept, in lieu of this, that 24 hours should be allowed in which to load without demurrage, but that would be of no service to the farmers. They could not get a car and haul and load it in twenty-four hours, or anything like it.

Messrs. Rutherford, Macdonnell and Davis co-operated with Dr. Douglas to get the bill through and are pleased at the success of their efforts.

NOXIOUS WEEDS.

Municipal Councils Preparing for a Systematic Destruction of Weeds.

From information received from a large number of municipalities, the latter are taking up the killing of noxious weeds in a very systematic and thorough manner. Not only are pathmasters appointed noxious weed inspectors, but a general supervisor of the municipalities has been appointed, who will see that the work of destruction is properly carried out. In addition to these supervisors, there will be the inspector appointed by the local government, who will confer with the municipal inspectors and by this method more and better work can be accomplished than by the old method of pathmaster's alone. The officials of the department of agriculture are, naturally, very pleased at this forward step on the part of the municipalities, and hope the system of appointing chief inspectors by municipal councils will become general all over the province, as it will mean their sending direct information to, and dealing with, eighty men in that number of municipalities, instead of many hundred pathmasters.

PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENTS.

The Manitoba Gazette contains the following appointments:

To be commissioners for taking affidavits for use in the courts of this province—Dallard Therrien, of Mariapolis; William Dickie, of Carberry; Jacques Parent, of Lethbridge; William Currie, of Winnipeg.

To be justices of the peace for the province—James Andrew, of Oak Lake, and John Adam Seip, of Miami.

OUR WESTERN HERITAGE.

THE HAPPENINGS OF THE GREAT WEST BRIEFLY TOLD.

A Resume of the Events of the Week Told in Short and Interesting Items—Prominent People, Their Sayings and Doings.

The Moose Jaw creamery has commenced operations this week.

Rev. J. M. Douglas' elevator bill passed the railway committee of the commons.

The Cochrane Ranch company will put 1,000 head of cattle on the range this spring.

There are 2,500 men at work along the Crow's Nest Pass railway line for miles west of Crow's Nest Lake.

It is reported that a farmer south of Del-raine sold 3,000 bushels of wheat for as follows: Receipts 2,900,000, shipments 295,000; in store 853,000.

The returns of wheat at Fort William are as follows: Receipts 2,900,000, shipments 295,000; in store 853,000.

Indian Head is to have a new Methodist church. The contractors are Messrs. Fraser and Cameron, for the sum of \$4,482.

About thirty car loads of settlers' effects arrive in the province weekly. The rush of immigration for the season is now over.

The Carberry people will, on May 23, vote on a by-law to raise \$9,000 for the purpose of providing fire apparatus for the village.

L. B. Cochrane, of Medicine Hat, has been appointed sub-agent of Dominion lands, and immigration agent for the Medicine Hat district.

The Rainy River Navigation company have issued a handsome illustrative folder describing their line, and the trip between Rainy Portage and Mine Centre.

The body of John Treweek, who was caught in a slide on the north fork of Carpenter creek, B. C., about seven miles from Lake Fork, on February 22nd, was only recovered last week.

The demand for stock cars in Southern Manitoba and along the M. & N. W. line is large, hundreds of stockers being sent to the western ranches and to the Twin City stock yards every week.

The price of binder twine has been advanced one and a half cents per pound, owing to the war in Manila. The price of rope has also been advanced. Most of the manufacturers are sold out.

An application will shortly be made to the license department for a wholesale liquor license for Dauphin by Mr. Wm. Wandt. Seventeen out of the nearest twenty residents have signed the petition.

Wild geese are unusually numerous this year. It is said that at some of the haunts of these birds the waves are in countless hundreds and when they are on the ground look like immense drifts of snow.

The sales in the C. P. R. land department for the month of April amounted to \$14,355.51; the number of acres will total up 13,118. This is one of the heavy months, and the showing is most satisfactory.

Bad Yankee money is reported to be in circulation in Vancouver in the form of one dollar silver certificates, which have been raised to \$10. Several of these were received on deposit by one of the Vancouver banks.

Mr. Fred. Johnson, living about six miles north of Russell, was burnt out a few days ago, losing his stables, three horses, harness, feed and seed. The fire is supposed to have caught from a spark from his pipe.

Major Young, inspector of customs, left the other day for Neepawa, where he will open the new office in that interesting town. The office will be in charge of Mr. F. W. Young, postmaster, who will combine the duties of the new office with his present one.

A shooting accident occurred at Glenlyon, near Dauphin, whereby John Clay is minus a finger and carries round a shattered hand. It appears he had his hand over the muzzle of the gun, with the trigger at half cock, when it went off, sending the charge through the palm of his hand.

As soon as the Crow's Nest Pass railway is completed, and the country is accessible to people, there will be a big rush of land hunters into the Kootenay valley. A large number of enquiries for farm lands are coming in constantly from all parts of the continent.

Five new members were initiated at the meeting of the local branch of the Canadian Co-operative Commonwealth in the Trades Hall, Winnipeg. It was decided to hold the first annual election of officers on next meeting night. The secretary read replies from several municipalities regarding suitable lands for the establishment of a colony in the vicinity of Winnipeg.

An Italian laborer was killed and Conductor E. Richardson and Brakeman Dickmore badly injured in a railway accident at Cat's Landing tunnel, near Hope, on Sunday, says the Kamloops Standard. The accident was caused by a rock falling on the track near the mouth of the tunnel. Several flat cars were derailed, blocking the road for several hours.

The commissioners appointed to investigate complaints of the laborer on the Crow's Nest Pass railway have handed in their report. They find that the subcontractors of Harey and Co. made reduction one way or other from the wages so that in some instances the men at the end of six months were only about square. There is, however, as yet no official information as to the finding of the commissioners, and there are, it is understood, to be explanations favorable to the sub-contractors.

THE PLEBISCITE.

Second Reading Passed—Vote to be Taken at an Early Date.

Ottawa, May 5.—Hon. Sydney Fisher moved the second reading of the plebiscite bill in the commons this afternoon. With regard to the date of the vote he said it would be at as early a date as consistent with the other business of the country and the convenience of the electors. Hard cider, which was fermented, intoxicating liquor, would be included in

the class of intoxicants, but the mere juice of apples would be exempt.

Hon. G. E. Foster announced that the bill would meet with no opposition from him, but asked that the government should say that an affirmative vote would be followed by a measure of prohibition. They should also announce the date of the vote so that there would be ample notice for an educative campaign. Another question was whether the government required a majority from every province to form a mandate, also whether a majority of the electors voting would convince the government that the people at large wanted such a law. Much good would probably result if the government pledged themselves to an acceptance of the consequences of an affirmative vote. He knew there were difficulties in the way of prohibition, especially revenue difficulties, but he was ready for that.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier in reply to Mr. Foster said that he could only repeat that when the will of the people has been affirmed the government must be prepared to abide by the consequences. He accepted Mr. Foster's notice that he would hold the government to a strict account to immediately bring in a prohibitory liquor law.

The bill was read a second time after further debate, passed through committee, and stands for the third reading.

MONARCHS OF THE PLAIN.

Many People are Taking a Last Look at the Buffalo at Silver Heights.

Large numbers of Winnipeg's citizens are journeying out to Silver Heights on Sunday to see for the first time or have last view of the celestated buffalo now soon to be removed to the National Park at Banff. These dethroned monarchs of the plains now spend their day dodging cameras and getting a living from generous supplies provided by their keeper. Their number has lately been increased by the addition of a hairy youngster who manages to keep up with the herd in their dashes around the field in remarkable fashion. His mother is very attentive and the keeper himself would not venture into the inclosure now on any consideration, when usually the animals are quite friendly to him. It will be some time before the animals can be moved as further increases are expected, while the calves are still young no attempt can be made to handle the herd. How they will be loaded into cars is a question that will puzzle Commissioner McCreary's inventive talents. How these nineteen vicious animals are to be coaxed or driven into a car is a problem, when the slightest alarm sends them dashing off at terrific speed. Dozen of amateurs swapped their cameras the herd Sunday, some spending hours in a vain attempt to get a good view. It will be a loss to Winnipeg to have these animals taken to Banff, but no means seems to be within reach whereby they can be retained. Mr. F. W. Heubach more than a year ago interviewed Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal in hopes of having a few at least of the animals kept here, but Lord Strathcona had already donated them to the government. Winnipeg's only hope therefore rests with the buffalo themselves refusing to be enticed into railroad cars.

HUDSON BAY BILL.

Senator Boulton Proposes an Amendment—Carried by 15 to 10.

In the senate, Ottawa, on a motion for the third reading of the bill providing for the amalgamation of the Winnipeg and Hudson Bay railway—formerly the Winnipeg and Hudson Bay railway—and with the Lake Manitoba Railway and Canal company, known as the Lake Dauphin railway. Senator Boulton objected to the amalgamation of these two railway lines from the Saskatchewan river to Hudson Bay, because it was not at all certain that the charter of the old Hudson Bay railway had not become void. There was another charter granted by the Dominion parliament covering the same route, and if this legislation was passed litigation might follow, which would not only tie up the construction of a railway to Hudson Bay, but also prevent the amalgamation of the line south of the Saskatchewan river. He moved that the bill be not now read at this time, but that a clause be added providing that the amalgamation shall only apply to that portion of the line of the Winnipeg and Great Northern between the Saskatchewan river and the terminus of the line of the Lake Manitoba Railway and Canal company.

Senator Loughheed pointed out that if the charter of the Winnipeg and Great Northern Railway company had lapsed, his amendment would only have the effect of preventing the amalgamated company from building a railway to Hudson Bay. The Lake Manitoba railway and Canal company was a strong financial corporation, and there was a better chance of a railway to Hudson Bay being built by this company than at any time since the original charter was granted, some eighteen years ago. Moreover the adding of the amendment would relieve the amalgamated company from responsibility for paying in full the liabilities of the old Hudson Bay Railway company, whose charter it proposed to take over.

Senator Allan thought that if the bill passed as it was there would be a better chance of the Hudson Bay road being built than ever before. The charter was controlled by Messrs. Mackenzie and Mann, whose ability and financial strength as railway contractors was well known. The amendment carried on a vote of 15 to 10.

FARMERS' INSTITUTES.

Dr. Fletcher, of the Dominion experimental farm, Ottawa, will be among the lecturers at the Farmers' Institute meeting this summer, also Mr. D. W. Wilson, editor of the Dairy Report, Elgin, Ill., who has been engaged to visit Northwest creameries. The programme for the institute meetings will be published about May 15th. The work will, it is expected, start on June 27th, with a "round-up" at Brandon the following Monday and Tuesday. The special speakers will continue meetings during the balance of the week, leaving them at liberty to attend the exhibition the week following.

"Say, what's your business?" "I'm a burglar, what's yours?" "Shake! I'm in the same line." "Well, come on—let's take something!"

Herds of Wild Buffalo.

It is generally believed that the buffalo, the American bison, no longer exist in their wild state, and all are now in either private or national parks. This, however, is not true. A Mr. Smith of New Brunswick, who has spent two years in the distant Northwest, says that there are at least four distinct bunches in that country which are estimated to contain 2,000 buffalo, upward of 500 having been counted in one of the herds. There is a very severe penalty which attaches to the killing of one, and it renders them practically safe from the depredation of hunters. This is in the Peace River Valley region. The country is exceedingly wild, and the most notable feature is the abundance of large game. Deer, moose, elk and caribou wander about in large droves, and black, cinnamon and grizzly bears are numerous, and they are frequently killed by hunters.

A Burial in Skagway.

A funeral in Skagway is one of the saddest things imaginable. There have been many of them since the end of February. The services of an undertaker are generally dispensed with, unless the dead man has money and friends to take his body home. The coffin is usually a rough board box, put together by inexperienced hands. This is loaded on a big lumber wagon and taken back into the woods about a mile and a half to the burying ground. Almost everyone who dies there has one or two friends who follow the wagon on foot to the grave yard. These lone mourners are usually muffled up in big coats, with hands bowed and bodies shivering, because of that terrible cold wind.

Manitoba & Northwestern Railway

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